

Criminal Sentiments Scale – Modified – Scoring Key

Directions: Read each statement carefully and decide how you feel about it. Circle A if you agree with the statement or D if you disagree with the statement. If you are undecided or cannot make up your mind about the statement, circle U. Remember, there are no right or wrong answers.

LAW	A	U	D
1. Pretty well all laws deserve our respect.	0	1	2
2. It is our duty to obey all laws.	0	1	2
3. Laws are usually bad.	2	1	0
4. The law is rotten to the core.	2	1	0
5. You cannot respect the law because it's there only to help a small and selfish group of people.	2	1	0
6. All laws should be obeyed just because they are laws.	0	1	2
7. The law does not help the average person.	2	1	0
8. The law is good.	0	1	2
9. Law and justice are the same thing.	0	1	2
10. The law makes slaves out of most people for a few people on top.	2	1	0
			Law Total: _____
COURTS			
11. Almost any jury can be fixed.	2	1	0
12. You cannot get justice in court.	2	1	0
13. Lawyers are honest.	0	1	2
14. The court often produces fake witnesses.	2	1	0
15. Judges are honest and kind.	0	1	2
16. Court decisions are pretty well always fair.	0	1	2
17. Pretty well anything can be fixed in court if you have enough money.	2	1	0
18. A judge is a good person.	0	1	2
			Court Total: _____
POLICE			
19. The police are honest.	0	1	2
20. A cop is a friend to people in need.	0	1	2
21. Life would be better with fewer cops.	2	1	0
22. The police should be paid more for their work.	0	1	2
23. The police are as crooked as the people they arrest.	2	1	0
24. Society would be better off if there were more police.	0	1	2
25. The police almost never help people.	2	1	0
			Police Total: _____

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TLV	A	U	D
26. Sometimes a person like me has to break the law to get ahead in life.	2	1	0
27. Most successful people broke the law to get ahead in life.	2	1	0
28. You should always obey the law, even if it keeps you from getting ahead in life.	0	1	2
29. It's OK to break the law as long as you don't get caught.	2	1	0
30. Most people would commit crimes if they wouldn't get caught.	2	1	0
31. There is never a good reason to break the law.	0	1	2
32. A hungry man has the right to steal.	2	1	0
33. It's OK to get around the law as long as you don't actually break it.	2	1	0
34. You should only obey those laws that are reasonable.	2	1	0
35. You're crazy to work for a living if there's an easier way, even if it means breaking the law.	2	1	0

TLV Total: _____

ICO

36. People who have broken the law have the same sorts of ideas about life as me.	2	1	0
37. I prefer to be with people who obey the law rather than people who break the law.	0	1	2
38. I'm more like a professional criminal than the people who break the law now and then.	2	1	0
39. People who have been in trouble with the law are more like me than people who don't have trouble with the law.	2	1	0
40. I have very little in common with people who never break the law.	2	1	0
41. No one who breaks the law can be my friend.	0	1	2

ICO Total: _____

CSS Total: _____

Name: _____ Number: _____ Date: ____/____/____

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